

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 were pending in the original application. Claims 21-58 have been added and claims 1-20 have been canceled without prejudice and without acquiescence. Support for Claims 21-58 can be throughout the specification and the original claims.

Yet further, Applicants have amended the specification to insert where appropriate the corresponding WO publication numbers for the SE and PCT application numbers and to conform the text to the figures. No new matter has been added.

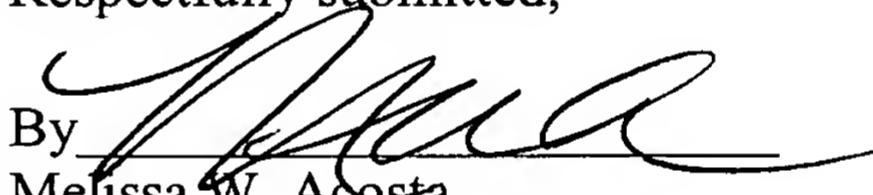
In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. According, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02137US2 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: July 17, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

By


Melissa W. Acosta

Registration No.: 45,872

FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI L.L.P.

1301 McKinney, Suite 5100

Houston, Texas 77010-3095

(713) 651-5151

(713) 651-5246 (Fax)